

REMARKS

Claims 1-33 have been canceled, and Claims 34-50 have been added. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 34-50 are drawn generally to receiving wireless communication data. Based on comparing a first metric associated with a RAKE processing element to a second metric associated with an equalizer, it is determined whether to transition from one to the other of first and second modes of data reception. The modes of data reception are defined by respectively different combinations of operational states of the RAKE processing element and the equalizer.

The above-described feature of Claims 34-50 has not been found to be taught or suggested in the references of record, considered individually or in combination.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the foregoing.

Respectfully Submitted,

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